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Officers from the Department of Homeland Security stand guard outside the Moakley Federal Courthouse. / GETTY IMAGES



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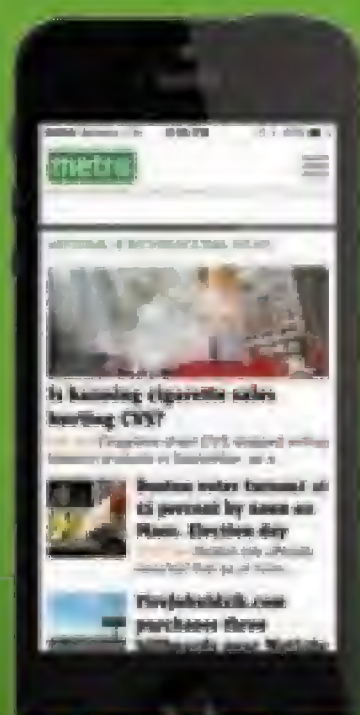
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Boston bombing

Tsarnaev lawyers again seek trial out of state

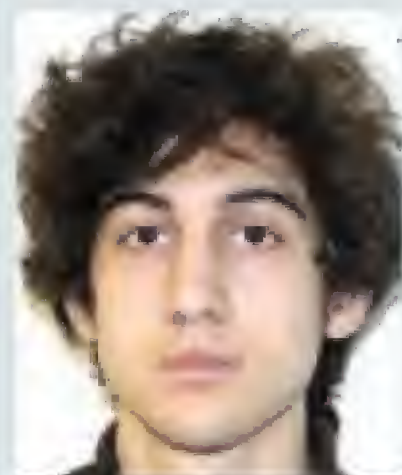
Lawyers for accused Boston Marathon bomber Dzhokhar Tsarnaev on Monday requested for the second time that his trial be moved out of state because of the risk that intense local media coverage will bias a jury against him.

The request comes one month before Tsarnaev is scheduled to face trial at a Boston courthouse, a few miles from the location of the 2013 bombing, which killed three people and injured more than 260 in the worst attack since Sept. 11, 2001.

"The inescapable conclusion is that great local prejudice will prevent a fair trial by an impartial jury," Tsarnaev's lawyers wrote in a motion filed in U.S. District Court in Boston.

The motion cited heavy local press coverage of the case, including what it referred to as several recent leaks to reporters by law enforcement that could influence public opinion ahead of the trial.

A federal judge rejected the same request in September, saying it was doubtful that there was anywhere in the country where people are not familiar with the case. **REUTERS**



Dzhokhar Tsarnaev / HANDOUT



UMass Boston Professor Miren Uriarte speaks at City Hall yesterday at an event announcing a report on Latino presence in decision-making positions at the municipal level. / DEBEK KOUYOUNJIAN, METRO

Report: Latino voice lacking in City Hall

Politics. The Boston area's growing Latino community is underrepresented in local politics.

Latinos are underrepresented in the City Halls of Boston, Somerville and Chelsea, according to a study released today.

The study, released by the Greater Boston Latino Network, says the presence of Latinos in city government has not kept pace with the growth of that demographic in those three cities.

"Lack of representation leads to lack of knowledge of

needs and resources in underrepresented groups and ineffective actions to address their concerns," said Miren Uriarte, one of the researchers behind the study and a UMass Boston professor.

Boston's public schools and its public housing are majority Latino, said James Jennings, a Tufts University professor who worked on the study. But at City Hall, of the 15 members of Mayor Marty Walsh's cabinet, only one is Latino.

"In Boston, I think the issue hasn't been put on the civic agenda table so no one asked the question how can government be more representative," said Jennings.

Also on Tuesday, Walsh announced the formation of a

By the numbers

In Boston, Latinos make up 17.5 percent of the population, while holding 7.5 percent of executive positions in city government. Latinos make up 7.1 percent of those serving on boards and commissions in city government.

In Somerville, Latinos make up 10.6 percent of the population, but there are no

Latinos in executive leadership roles in city government.

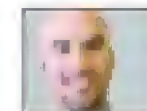
In Chelsea, Latinos make up 62 percent of the population, and hold 14.3 percent of the executive positions in city government.

Source: Greater Boston Latino Network

"Diversity & Inclusion Team" to be headed by Shaun Blugh, the city's first chief diversity officer. Blugh will make \$101,000 per year.

The team is tasked with evaluating the city's hiring and

appointment protocols and will determine their "effectiveness for communities of color."



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Safety. Homeland shutdown could threaten Boston's security

Republican threats to shortchange the U.S. Department of Homeland Security could potentially disrupt local law enforcement.

Locally, Homeland Security funds various police and law enforcement programs, including Transportation Security Administration at Logan, as well as border and

customs officials at the port of Boston, and enforces immigration laws in the Boston area.

There's also the fusion centers, which Massachusetts defines as a repository for "homeland security information and incident reporting." Federal, state and local law enforcement use the centers, which serve as a

point of contact for local law enforcement that are seeking to receive information from federal agencies.

One such center is the Boston Regional Intelligence Center, otherwise known as BRIC. That center is funded from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, according to the Boston Police's website.

According to that site, information gathered by BRIC "pinpoints areas of crime, shootings and gang violence, as well as helping to identify major players and ex-offenders returning to our neighborhoods." It also "supplies intelligence vital to the Department's counterterrorism plans."

"Obviously it's a bad

idea," said the source, speaking on the condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to the press. "The cliché is homeland security is hometown security. One of the key components would be how would this affect the fusion centers, if it were to ever happen, which is unlikely." **DANNY McDONALD**

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Fast-food workers to walk out tomorrow

Boston-area fast-food-industry workers plan to walk off the job Thursday, a move that union organizers say will mark the second anniversary of their fight for a \$15 an hour wage.

According to MassUnion, the wage battle and push for union rights has spread to 160 cities around the U.S. since workers in New York City launched the movement two years ago. Airport and home care workers are also among those pursuing higher wages and better benefits.

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McDonald's on Tremont Street
NICOLAUS CZARNECKI, METRO

Trolley driver slapped pregnant passenger who spat on her: MBTA

Brighton. A confrontation over fare turned violent.

A Green Line trolley driver has yet to face punishment after she allegedly slapped a pregnant woman who allegedly spat in her face during a heated confrontation over a fare, according to a Transit Police spokesman.

The confrontation occurred around 10:30 a.m. Wednesday as the trolley passed through Brighton.

Transit Police spokesman Richard Sullivan said the offending passenger boarded the trolley with an expired pass and was having trouble with the fare machine.

"She decided she was going to walk in and take a seat," said Sullivan.

The trolley operator, who



A Green Line operator lost her cool last week. / NICOLAUS CZARNECKI, METRO

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"It's easy for someone to sit back and say, 'I would've done this or that,' but until someone spits in your face, you don't know how you'll react." Sullivan

was not named, insisted that the woman, who was also not named, pay the fare. That's when the passenger allegedly spit in the operator's face, according to Sullivan.

"It was a completely inappropriate response, in my opinion," Sullivan said of the spitting. "She spit in her mouth. [Operators] have a tough job. I really don't think it's too much to ask someone

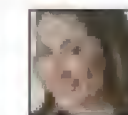
to pay their fare."

When asked about the operator's alleged slapping of the passenger, Sullivan said he did not condone the behavior.

"It's an unfortunate circumstance. They have a tough job. I don't know how you would react if someone spit in your face and it got in your mouth," he said.

MBTA spokesman Joe Pesaturo said Green Line managers will determine what disciplinary action is warranted against the driver after they have gathered all the facts. A clerk magistrate in Brighton District Court may decide whether to file charges, Sullivan said.

The woman told police she was 17 weeks pregnant, according to a Boston Globe report. A Transit Police officer noted the pregnancy in a report.



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Downward trend

Driver assaults

Transit Police said assaults on operators seems to be down, though they had yet to release hard numbers.

In March of 2013, a bus driver was assaulted by a group of 15 teenagers. Later that year, in October, dramatic video showed a man assaulting a bus driver as the vehicle was in motion in Chelsea. The attack caused the bus to crash.

Transit Police say spitting is a common form of assault on T drivers.

In May, the MBTA installed a protective plexiglass sliding barrier on one of its buses to see if it served as an effective deterrent against bus driver assault.

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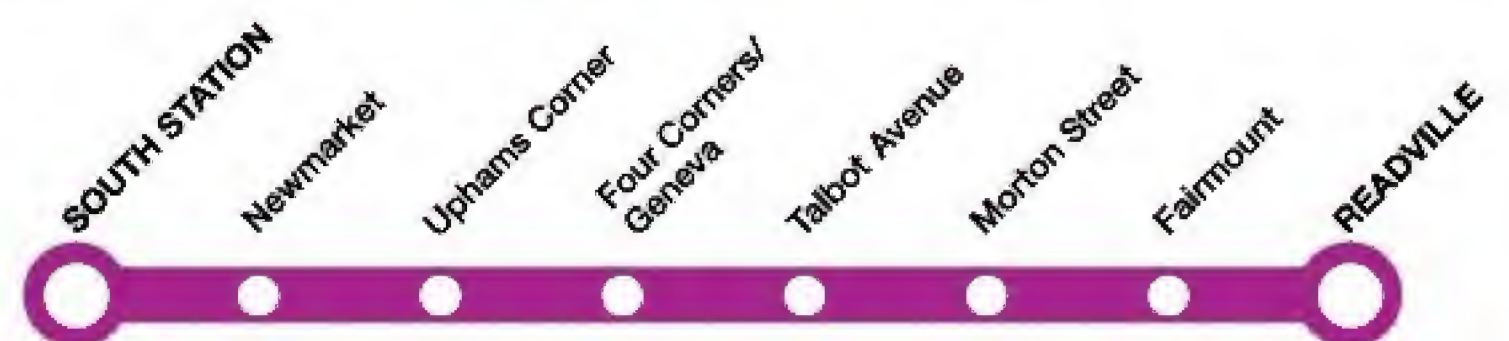
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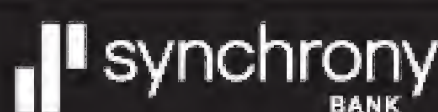
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Park ranger stabbing suspect held on \$1M

Boston court. Suspect has a history of violence and mental illness.

A 34-year-old homeless man was held on \$1 million bail Tuesday at his arraignment in Suffolk Superior Court in connection with a knife attack on two park rangers who asked him to put out a cigarette.

Bodio Hutchinson was arraigned on charges including two counts of armed assault with intent to murder for allegedly stabbing the rangers on Oct. 14 on Boston Common.

He then allegedly shouted to police, "Shoot me! Shoot me!" Officers were able to take him into custody.

Violent attack

Prosecutors alleged Hutchinson stabbed two park rangers in broad daylight near the Soldiers and Sailors Monument on Boston Common.

- One ranger, a 46-year-old man, suffered life-threatening injuries after being stabbed

in his abdomen and slashed on his back.

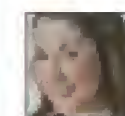
- The other, age 25, suffered five stab wounds to his back and abdomen.
- Both rangers recovered from their injuries.



Bodio Hutchinson / POOL

Hutchinson's defense attorney has said his client suffers from paranoid schizophrenia and "struggles every day to know what's his reality."

He is due to return to court on Jan. 6.



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Dangerous toys revealed

Andrew Fish of MASSPIRG (left) and Rep. Jay Livingstone show off the year's most dangerous toys at the Torit Language Center. The public interest group released its 29th annual Trouble in Toyland report, with the results of laboratory testing on toys for toxic chemicals. JONKRE KOUYOUMJIAN

Hit-and-run. Family of victim offers reward

The family of a man killed in a hit-and-run last month wants the driver who took his life to face justice.

Boston Police said Tuesday the family of Paul Fonseca, 51, of Boston is offering a \$500 reward for information about the fatal crash. Fonseca was killed in the area of American Legion Highway and Blue Hill Ave in Dorchester at 5:21 p.m. on Nov. 26.

Police responded to a 911 call to find Fonseca mortally injured. The unidentified driver was last seen driving south on Blue Hill Ave in a black Lincoln



The car that hit Fonseca / PROVIDED

Town Car.

The Boston Police Homicide Fatal Collision Team is investigating the incident.

Anyone with information can call investigators at (617) 343-4470. Investigators said the police department will "stringently guard and protect the identities of those who wish to help this investigation anonymously." MORGAN ROUSSEAU

Boehner pushes for long-term spending to avoid government shutdown battle

Deadline. Congress must pass a federal government spending bill by Dec. 11 to avoid a shutdown.

House of Representatives Speaker John Boehner urged fellow Republicans on Tuesday to pass a spending bill that funds most of the federal government through Sept. 30, 2015, avoiding a shutdown fight over President Barack Obama's immigration action.

At a closed meeting of House Republicans to plot strategy on how to handle a must-pass government spending bill, Boehner proposed including a short-term extension for the Department of Homeland Security, the agency that will implement Obama's immigration order, Republicans said.

That would allow Republicans to revisit efforts to block Obama's immigration action by placing spending restrictions on Department of Homeland Security activities early next year.

Some Republicans want to

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"I think they understand that it's going to be difficult to take meaningful action as long as we've got Democratic control of the Senate."

Boehner



Boehner and other Republican leaders want to demonstrate that they can govern and avoid a shutdown fight. / GETTY IMAGES

use the spending bill to defund Obama's unilateral action easing the threat of deportation for millions of undocumented residents.

The political stakes are high for Republicans, after huge wins in the Nov. 4 elections that will give them a majority in the Senate and a bigger majority in the House next year.

Boehner said after the meeting that no decision had been made and consultations would continue with Republicans in the House and Senate.

"Frankly, we have limited options, limited ability to deal with it directly," Boehner said of possible responses to Obama's immigration action.

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Obama

'Unpatriotic loophole' costs government \$2 billion

U.S. companies that have already carried out inversions are likely to cost the government a record \$2.2 billion or more in lost tax revenue next year, double the amount in 2014, according to calculations based on companies' financial results.

That doesn't include the impact of companies that shift their legal addresses abroad in the future, which one Congressional study pegged at about \$2 billion a year over the next decade. BLOOMBERG

Sources. President expected to nominate Carter to lead Pentagon

Former Pentagon official Ashton Carter emerged on Tuesday as the expected nominee to replace Chuck Hagel as defense secretary, sources familiar with the situation said.

Carter, a former deputy secretary at the Department of Defense, would have the task of breaking into the tight-knit White House inner circle that President Barack Obama has leaned on to run national security policy.

His influence would be tested as the United States wrestles with a growing list of international crises — from the battle against the Islamic State in Iraq



Ashton Carter / GETTY IMAGES

and Syria to troubled ties with Russia and a still-resilient Taliban enemy in Afghanistan.

A variety of sources inside and outside the administration said Carter was the front-runner. REUTERS

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Report: Iran hackers targeted airlines, energy firms, colleges



The source said Qatar Airlines was a specific target. / GETTY IMAGES

Tehran. The report comes as governments scramble to better understand Iran's cyber capabilities.

Iranian hackers have infiltrated some of the world's top energy, transport and infrastructure companies over the past two years in a campaign that could allow them to eventually cause physical damage, according to U.S. cybersecurity firm Cylance.

Aerospace firms, airports and airlines, universities, en-

ergy firms, hospitals and telecommunications operators based in the United States, Israel, China, Saudi Arabia, India, Germany, France and England have been hit by the campaign, the research firm said, without naming individual companies.

A person familiar with the research said U.S. energy firm Calpine Corp., state-controlled oil companies Saudi Aramco and Petroleos Mexicanos (Pemex), as well as flag carriers Qatar Airlines and Korean Air were among the specific targets.

The company said its researchers uncovered breach-

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"We believe that if the operation is left to continue unabated, it is only a matter of time before the team impacts the world's physical safety." Cylance

es affecting more than 50 entities and had evidence they were committed by the same Tehran-based group that was behind a previously reported 2013 cyber attack on a U.S. Navy network. **REUTERS**

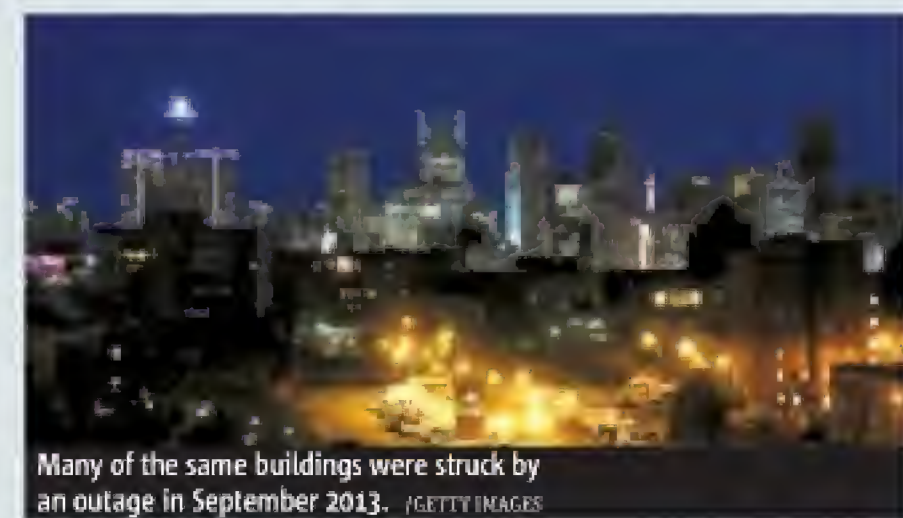
Motor City

Power restored after massive outage hits downtown Detroit

A massive outage on Tuesday cut power for as long as six hours to public buildings in Detroit ranging from City Hall to a criminal courthouse, scores of public schools and more than three dozen buildings at Wayne State University, officials said.

The outage in the city-run system that distributes power to the public buildings was another black eye for Detroit, which won court approval in November to exit the biggest U.S. municipal bankruptcy.

"Today is another reminder of how much work



Many of the same buildings were struck by an outage in September 2013. / GETTY IMAGES

we still have to do to rebuild this city," Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan told a news conference. "A bankruptcy order doesn't solve the decades of neglect in our infrastructure."

The city said late Tuesday afternoon that power had been restored to all custom-

ers, though two city facilities served by the grid had not yet powered up.

DTE Energy Co., which sells power to Detroit Public Lighting, worked with the city to restore power, DTE spokesman Scott Simons said. **REUTERS**

Cairo



Protesters gather in Cairo, Egypt to rail against arrests and Mubarak verdict

A group of people shout slogans during a protest against the arrests of journalists and the court verdict that dropped charges against former Egyptian president Hosni Mubarak, who was charged with inciting the killing of protesters in 2011, outside the journalists syndicate building in Cairo, Egypt. GETTY IMAGES

Middle East. Lebanon detains wife and daughter of Islamic State leader

The Lebanese army detained a wife and daughter of Islamic State leader Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi as they crossed from Syria nine days ago, security officials said on Tuesday, in a move seen as likely to put pressure on the Islamist chief.

The woman was identified as Saja al-Dulaimi, an Iraqi, by a Lebanese security official and a senior political source.

The Lebanese newspaper As-Safir reported she had been detained in coordination with "foreign intelligence."

A Lebanese security source said the arrest was "a powerful card to apply pressure" in negotiations to secure the release of 27 members of the Lebanese security forces captured by Islamic militants — a view shared by other Lebanese officials who confirmed the arrest.

However, Secretary of State John Kerry dismissed any suggestion that Washington might also try to use similar tactics to free prisoners. "We do not engage in that



Video grab of Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi / GETTY IMAGES

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"If I were Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, I would be very anxious that they are getting very close."

Fawaz Gerges

type of negotiation. Period," he told a news conference in Brussels.

A senior Lebanese security official said Baghdadi's wife had been traveling with one of their daughters, contradicting earlier reports that it was his son. DNA tests were conducted to verify it was Baghdadi's child, the official said.

They were detained in northern Lebanon after Baghdadi's wife was found with a fake passport, officials said. Investigators were questioning her at the Lebanese defense ministry.

Fawaz Gerges, a Middle East expert at the London School of Economics, said the arrest indicated that the American-led coalition seemed to have solid intelligence in Syria and Iraq.

"I talked to a few people who told me this was a coordinated arrest between American intelligence services and the Lebanese army," he told Reuters. **REUTERS**

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Broader fallout

Japan moves to contain air bag crisis

Japan's auto recall enforcement division, whose 16 members work from a cramped office on the eighth floor of the transport ministry building in Tokyo, only found out about safety issues with Takata Corp air bags in late 2008 — more than three years after the company says it first learned of problems.

The ministry, which doubles as Japan's safety regulator, then took a largely passive approach to the crisis unfolding in the United States — Takata's biggest market where more than 10 million cars have since been recalled — rubber-stamping recall filings by automakers after incidents reported abroad.

REUTERS

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"We had no idea there were already accidents in the United States, so there was no reason for us to be concerned at the time."

Masato Sahashi,
director of the recall office

Rattled by Chinese

India and other nations rebuilding submarine fleet

India is speeding up a navy modernization program and leaning on its neighbors to curb Chinese submarine activity in the Indian Ocean, as nations in the region become increasingly jittery over Beijing's growing undersea prowess.

Just months after a standoff along the disputed border dividing India and China in the Himalayas, Chinese submarines have shown up in Sri Lanka, the island nation off India's southern coast. China has also strengthened ties with the Maldives, the Indian Ocean archipelago.

China's moves reflect its determination to beef up its presence in the Indian Ocean, through which four-fifths of its oil imports pass, and coincides with escalating tension in the disputed South China Sea, where Beijing's naval superiority has rattled its neighbors. **REUTERS**

Cost

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi's government has ordered an accelerated tendering process to build six conventional diesel-electric submarines at an estimated cost of 500 billion rupees (\$8.1 billion).

OMG! Gloves technology use the same molecular forces that allow lizards to run on vertical surfaces

A scientist from California has made scaling walls a la Spider-Man a reality — with inspiration from a little lizard species. Elliot Hawkes, a Ph.D. candidate in biomimetics engineering at Stanford University, has devised a pair of "gecko gloves" that mimic the sticky-like properties of the reptile's feet, allowing the user to climb vertical glass walls with his weight supported. "The device employs about the same muscles as climbing a ladder," Hawkes told Metro.

Anybody can become a real ... Gecko-Man?

I designed the system to allow almost anyone to be able to use it. Unlike geckos, humans do not have very strong upper bodies. We are evolved to walk and run, and our main strength is in our legs. Therefore, the system uses the legs to lift the body weight. The hands only place and remove

the adhesive.

Is this invention connected to your other work?

I began working on this one about five years ago. First I created a small climbing robot, named Stickybot. Ever since then, I have imagined being able to climb a wall just like this little robot. It seemed like the ultimate challenge for the adhesives.

Isn't it hard to climb with your system?

It isn't particularly physically demanding. It uses about the same muscles as climbing a ladder. It does take focus to move the right leg with the right hand, and the left leg with the left hand, and to look up to see what your hands are doing, but it does not strain your arm muscles.

DMITRY BELYAEV,
METRO WORLD NEWS



GECKO GLOVE / ERIC EASON



Hawkes' "gecko glove" invention in action. / ERIC EASON

Question

Can it be used on other surfaces?

The adhesives we use in this paper are designed for relatively smooth surfaces like glass, metal, polished stone and varnished wood. But the system for load

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Twitter feed

Today, Thandie Newton is adjusting to motherhood, Mark Ruffalo maybe isn't on Team Hillary, Kirstie Alley is having dexterity issues, Joss Whedon knows how to woo and Jeff Ross is reevaluating the classics.

@thandienewton: My 9 mth old has taken to climbing up to stand, and steadying himself using my braid. Call me Rapunzel

@MarkRuffalo: Wouldn't it be great to see Elizabeth Warren run for president in 2016?

@kirstiealley: Sometimes you just can't grasp something

@josswhedon: I'm deep, ladies. Deep and dark. Dark and muggy. Stagnant and putrid. Misshapen and vengeful. Deciduous yet crunchtastic

@realjeffreycross: I can't sit through "The Cosby Show" anymore but somehow "The Cosby Mysteries" still holds up.



Johansson, pictured here on Dec. 1 with her husband of two whole months / ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

1 Scarlett Johansson has been secretly married for months

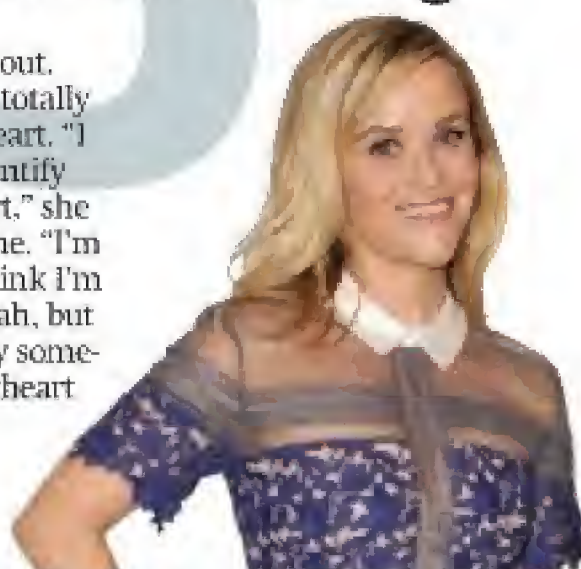
"Avengers" star Scarlett Johansson managed to pull off the ultimate celebrity achievement: the secret wedding. She and Romain Dauriac reportedly tied the knot Oct. 1 in Philipsburg, Montana, less than a month after the birth of their

daughter — and no one in the press caught on about it, according to Page Six. "They kept the wedding a big secret because they both wanted privacy," says a source with a firm grasp for the obvious. Johansson started introducing Dau-

riac as "my husband" at the Gotham Awards earlier this week, and Dauriac was spotted wearing a wedding ring in early October and Johansson had one on in public last month. So, really, this one's on us for not catching it earlier.

Reese Witherspoon takes issue with the whole 'America's sweetheart' thing

Guys, seriously. Cut it out. Reese Witherspoon is totally not America's sweetheart. "I certainly don't self-identify as anyone's sweetheart," she tells Glamour magazine. "I'm friendly, but I don't think I'm sweet. I'm honest." Yeah, but come on. That's totally something America's sweetheart would say.



THE WORD

Ned Ehrbar takes on the world of gossip.

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Want to own a piece of movie history? Well good news, Burt Reynolds is getting rid of some stuff. Hope you have an empty garage: His 1978 black Trans Am from the "Smokey and the Bandit" films is going up for auction next month along with a bunch of beauties from the Wellborn Muscle

Car Museum. This item in particular, personally owned by Reynolds, features portraits of his film alter ego embroidered into the headrests, a CB radio and the personalized license plate "BANDT22." Just don't expect cops to look the other way if you're going even a little too fast.

Daily video

The Killers' new holiday ditty

As a part of the annual tradition, The Killers recorded a new holiday-themed single to benefit the RED campaign. This year, they teamed up with Jimmy Kimmel for a rather unorthodox tune called "Joel, the Lump of Coal" that tells a new Santa-adjacent Christmas tale. And according to Kimmel, it "may very well be the greatest holiday song recorded by non-chipmunks."



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If you want to ignore the Kimmel stuff and go right to the song itself, skip to the 5:08 mark. Brandon Flowers in a

light-up Christmas sweater is quite a treat in and of itself. Even as a joke, the song is catchy as hell.

Christian Bale thinks Clooney should 'just shut up'

Christian Bale is a big fan of privacy and not a big fan of tabloids. But you know what he's also not a big fan of? Fellow celebrities complaining about privacy and the tabloids. Bale tells The Wall Street Journal that George Clooney — whom Bale concedes is "a movie star" — needs to pipe down when it comes to the invasive press. "It's boring, isn't it? You know what I mean?" Bale says. "It doesn't matter that he talks about it. It's like, come on, guys, just shut up."



Just get on with it and live your lives and stop whining about it. I prefer not to whine about it." Duly noted. Oh, and don't expect him to re-team with "Terminator Salvation" director McG again anytime soon. "There's a lot of room for many approaches and many characters within the film industry," Bale says. "I won't be working with him again, but I wish him very well. OK?" And that is what Bale being diplomatic sounds like.

Burt Reynolds auctioning off 'The Bandit'

Lauren Graham set to join late-night fray — sort of

The late-night talk-show host circuit is still an exclusively white male club, but we can at least pretend it's more diverse, right? NBC has tapped "Gilmore Girls" alum Lauren Graham to star in "Kate on Later," a comedy series in development focusing on the foibles of the first female late-night host. The show is being overseen by Ellen DeGeneres' A Very Good Production



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When franchises spin off

There have already been two spinoffs of major film franchises this year: the happily loopy "Penguins of Madagascar" and the highly profitable "Annabelle." There are more to come, including a prequel for the Despicable Me Minions. But spinoffs are nothing new. Here are a few other times execs tried to bleed product until it could bleed no more. **MATT PRIGGE**



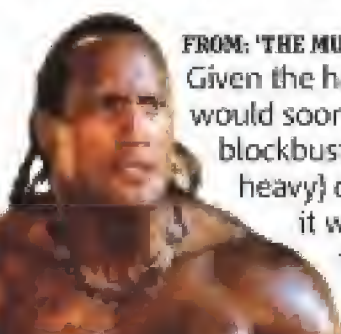
'Supergirl' (1985)

FROM: 'SUPERMAN: THE MOVIE' (1978), 'SUPERMAN II' (1980), 'SUPERMAN III' (1983)

By 1985, the "Superman" franchise was already ear-deep in self-parody, with the noticeably downsized "Superman IV" still en route. That didn't put the brakes on a gargan-

tuan movie for Kal-El's female counterpart (Helen Slater), which made up for the lack of even a Christopher Reeve cameo by stacking the deck with overqualified thespians such as Faye Dunaway and Peter O'Toole. It didn't work: Its box office was so dismal that the franchise rights were sold to little Canon Films.

'The Scorpion King' (2002)



FROM: 'THE MUMMY RETURNS' (2001)

Given the hammy yet sometimes soulful charisma he would soon reveal, it's odd that Dwayne Johnson's blockbuster debut was a wordless (but growl-heavy) cameo in "The Mummy Returns." Alas, it was really a setup for his character's own film, which unleashed more silly Egyptian shenanigans upon theaters.

'Beauty Shop' (2005)

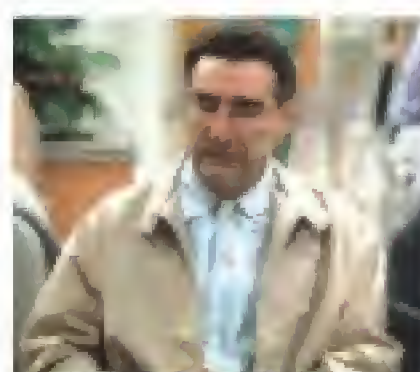
FROM: 'BARBERSHOP' (2002), 'BARBERSHOP: BACK IN BUSINESS' (2004)
"Barbershop" was the kind of modest surprise hit that lends itself to sequels, spinoffs and TV shows. It got all three, with Queen Latifah's character from the sequel getting a salon, albeit one staffed by Alicia Silverstone and Andie MacDowell.



'American Pie' DTV sequels (2005-2009)

FROM: 'AMERICAN PIE' (1999), 'AMERICAN PIE II' (2001), 'AMERICAN WEDDING' (2003)

"American Pie" nimbly blended raunch with heart. If it had nudged either way, it could have turned stupid or maudlin. While the theatrically released, Jason Biggs-led films turned sappier, there was a line of direct-to-video sequels — with subtitles like "The Naked Mile"



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and "Beta House" — that were pure filth. Aside from the recycled title (and Eugene Levy), they were otherwise indistinguishable from tasteless teen nudie pics from the '80s.

'Get Him to the Greek' (2010)

FROM: 'FORGETTING SARAH MARSHALL' (2008)

"Forgetting Sarah Marshall" was a case where the supporting guy stole the movie from the hero, but it also made a star of Russell Brand, who went on to helm this very funny spinoff vehicle.



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'The Bourne Legacy' (2012)

FROM: 'THE BOURNE IDENTITY' (2001), 'THE BOURNE SUPREMACY' (2004), 'THE BOURNE ULTIMATUM' (2007)

"There was never just one," went the tag line for this spinoff, made only because franchise star Matt Damon was temporarily unwilling to return. In fact, what was Jeremy Renner's character's name? It's not clear if this side project will ever return, which is a shame: Renner, as ever, is good at playing a steely hero.



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Swing by Alden & Harlow for this burrata. / YELP

Step one: Get a ball of mozzarella. Step two: Stuff it with cream. If you need step three, hand in your bib. These dressed-up versions of the classic cheese with a prize will have you squealing "Burrata be kidding me!" Ah, puns.

starters, my table got the bone marrow, beef tongue crostini, goat cheese and eggplant, and the burrata frittata. I didn't try the bone marrow, but the other three were really delightful. The burrata was my favorite.

LAUREN F.

Alden & Harlow

40 Brattle St., Cambridge

My boyfriend and I decided to do a couple of shared plates between the two of us — we had the honey-glazed burrata to start, then the roasted parsnips with wild mushroom tomago and the braised rabbit stew with buttermilk dumplings to finish. The flavors of the ingredients of each dish matched very nicely, particularly the pumpkin caponata that came with the burrata ... SO GOOD

MARIA D.

Parla

230 Hanover St.

No bread on the table at this place — they give you an amuse bouche to start. Ours was a mini caprese salad on a spoon. Pretty sure the mozzarella was burrata. YUM. (We did think that bread WITH the meal would have been nice — you need a way to soak up all that delicious sauce off the plate!) For

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Fresh. Everything is fresh. Got the burrata as a starter and LOVED the flavor pairings; it was served with prosciutto, wood-fired peaches (less sweet with an amazing charred flavor) and rosemary honey.

ALEXANDRA W.

Giacomo's Ristorante

355 Hanover St.

I always end up getting the burrata, even if I sass the tomatoes. The cheese is just too good, nice and creamy. The lobster ravioli is a must, with a light, refined tomato sauce and fresh-fresh lobster.

BROOKE J.

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Quincy Jones and him

Interview. The music legend pays tribute to his old mentor Clark Terry for the doc "Keep on Keepin' On."

Quincy Jones is in New York City to talk about Clark Terry, the jazz trumpeter who mentored him and the focus of a new documentary, "Keep on Keepin' On." But the discussion roams all over. He talks about Miles Davis, he talks about his early film scoring work, he talks about an IMAX film he's producing about Rio's favelas, which he promises will give an appropriate-sized screen to "big, beautiful, Brazilian booties."

But he's mostly talking about Terry, a jazz musician — who, as it happens, is unaccountably little known among the general population. The mainstream today only seems to know a handful of the jazz giants. Many of those greats — including Jones, Herbie Hancock, Davis (from an old clip) — testify to Terry's genius in "Keep on Keepin' On," which finds an ailing Terry, now 94, mentoring young, blind pianist Justin Kaulfin.

In the documentary, Jones goes into detail about introducing himself to Clark when he was a young musician living in Washington. "He wasn't mentoring a lot back then — not like he is now. It's a passion he realized as he got



QUINCY JONES IS ONE OF THE PRODUCERS OF "KEEP ON KEEPIN' ON," A DOCUMENTARY ABOUT JAZZ TRUMPETER CLARK TERRY. / GETTY IMAGES



Pianist Justin Kaulfin and jazz legend Clark Terry play in "Keep on Keepin' On." / RADUIS/TWC

older," Jones tells us. "He was with Charlie Barnet and Basie and Duke. He didn't have too much free time. He was on the road with those cats."

Jones used to meet with him before school, because Terry would be sleeping in the afternoon for the night's show. "This was the only opportunity I had," Jones says. "If I didn't say it, I might never get it. I had to beg for it."

Not so blue

Miles in the sky

One of the highlights of "Keep on Keepin' On" is a brief interview with Miles Davis from 1991, shortly before his death. Emaciated and wild-haired, he talks about his early days learning from Terry. At the time it was filmed, Jones had just conducted Davis' final concert at Montreux — a gig that took

15 years to convince him to do. "He didn't want to do his old stuff," Jones remembers. "Miles was funny. He was the funniest businessman you ever saw in your life. He used to do business like, 'Hey, man, don't give me money. Just buy me a Ferrari.'"



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Chi McBride likes Hawaii, if not 'Five-0'

Interview. The
"Hawaii Five-0" star
on why his show will
be "forgotten like a
mustard burp."

Chi McBride will be the first to admit his hit series, "Hawaii Five-0" has pretty much taken over Oahu. "Literally, you can't swing a dead cat on the island without hitting our production somewhere," he says. "People literally look for us at the airport — because we shoot at the airport. Hawaii's quite beautiful in and of itself. They certainly don't need 'Hawaii Five-0' to have a booming and successful business for tourism. But it don't hurt!"

And he wouldn't have it any other way. "I do love Hawaii, I love my place there," McBride says. "And I do love to play golf, which I do a lot in Hawaii. We're going to have Michelle Wei on the show [this season] and she's going to take a couple of us out to play golf. I'm looking forward to that because [series star] Alex [O'Loughlin] is a terrible golfer, and he's going to have to play. So one thing I know I'm going to say to him is, 'I bet you don't want to do your own stunts



"Hawaii Five-0" airs Fridays at 9 p.m. on CBS. / CBS

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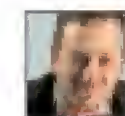
"It's all just pretend. Something you did as a kid, only they pay you a lot of money for it now."

McBride, on acting

now, do you?"

At the end of the day, his job is just a job, but let's not take it too seriously. Or, as McBride says: "I don't see myself arguing with somebody over a line that's going to be said on a television show that's going to be forgotten about like a mustard burp in a hundred years. This whole thing is just a pimple on a very hairy ass, so you have to look at it as such," he says. "The most boring thing in the world

is actors talking about politics. The second most boring thing in the world is actors talking about acting. ... At the end of the day, I have one acting note, and that's this: 'OK, so pretend like...' That's it. It's all just pretend. Something you did as a kid, only they pay you a lot of money for it now." Sometimes you get to do it in Hawaii, even.



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TV watch list



Maybe once they catch the bad guy, Arrow can shoot an arrow and the Flash can run and catch it in his hand! That would be a cool trick. / THE CW

DRAMA

'Arrow'

If you've been keeping up with "The Flash," you know this is a crossover episode, where he and Oliver team up to take down a bad guy who's hidden bombs around the city. 8 P.M., CW

COMEDY

'Modern Family'

Alex meets a little disbelief

when she announces she has a new boyfriend, while Jay and Gloria look for ways to avoid attending parties. 9 P.M., ABC

REALITY

'Kitchen Inferno'

A chef tries to win the money to open his own restaurant, and his challenge is to make a savory dish out of milk and cookies. But why would you not simply eat the cookies? 10 P.M., FOOD NETWORK
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Bigger is better

Knits, knits, knits

One of the strongest looks this winter is knitwear. On the runway, it's been spotted in the form of head-to-toe knit suits and trousers.

The trend is really all about size, in the form of chunky woven sweaters and bulky knitwear tops.

"The way it's being translated [from the runway] is really big, oversized sweaters and extreme turtlenecks," says Framel of The Glamourai. "Everything this season is just so big, so extreme — they're almost dresses."

Bulky knitwear is perhaps the strongest apparel trend this winter. Expect to see lots of chunky, oversized sweaters and dresses. / KELLY FRAMEL, THEGLAMOURAI.COM

Winter's hottest fashion trends

Wish list. Two of NYC's top fashion bloggers weigh in on what's popular this season.

The cold winter months may be closing in on us, but there's definitely no shortage of must-have new trends to keep you looking chic all season long. We asked two of New York City's top fashion bloggers to break down the looks you need to get your hands on right now.

Dresses over pants

While colored tights have dominated the last few winters, Kelly Framel, creative director of the wildly popular site The Glamourai, says they're on their way out this season. Taking their place are dresses over pants, which can be interpreted

ed in a number of ways.

"The really fashion forward way to wear it is over a slightly flared pant," says Framel, who describes the trend as a return to '90s grunge.

Above-the-knee boots

Playful lengths are also extending to footwear. Hot this winter are thigh-high, over-the-knee boots. A spin on the look takes the form of flats, says Framel. "We're so accustomed to seeing the over-the-knee, high-heel, slightly sexy version," she says. "A flat boot is especially fresh, like the coolest interpretations this season."

Military-inspired shoes are another look to invest in. Boots with lots of buckling details and accents of that signature olive green are particularly popular. If it's a more feminine look you're after, booties are

a dainty alternative. "Another shoe trend that totally excites me is the kitten-heeled, pointed-toe, lace-up bootie," says fashion blogger Chanel van der Meijden.

Big ol' earrings

It's official: Big earrings are back. While the trend for the last few seasons has been more about delicate jewelry, be prepared to see oversized pieces now.

"The fashion version of that is to wear only one [earring] and to wear the biggest earring possible," says Framel. "Chandelier and interesting statement earrings are definitely coming back." Translation? Big, glitzy earrings are perfect for the holidays.

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PLUS

Lighten up

Oversized coats and pastel colors

Many of the leading looks this winter are all about length. Case in point: dramatically oversized coats paired with mini dresses and above-the-knee skirts. "It's a big surprise when you think about the colder months," says van der Meijden of Cocorosa.

She adds that we'll be seeing a lot of fitted minis layered with over-the-top, big jumpers this season. Another play on length? Wide culottes and above-the-ankle trousers. Also going strong in outerwear is the pastel-colored coat. When it comes to bundling up, shades of soft pink and baby blue are all the rage. "There's finally an alternative to the boring black winter coat," says Framel.

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First there was Hyperlapse, the Instagram-friendly app that allowed one to make time-lapse (i.e., super-mega-ultra-fast) videos. Now there's TruSloMo. Also tied to Instagram, this one makes super-mega-ultra-slow videos. Slow motion, when done right ("Bonnie and Clyde," the films of Wong Kar-wai and John Woo, Jean-Luc Godard's "Slow Motion"), is a beautiful thing; when overdone, as in the "speed ramping" of Zack Snyder ("300"), it can be grating.

But anything is automatically made dramatic when presented super slow, even the most boring activity. So when you're fiddling with TruSloMo, and the special, once rarefied powers it grants you, try to think outside the box. Here are some ways you can mess with it:



Using the app TruSloMo, we took a video of a dog barking and put it in frighteningly slow motion. / ALL PHOTOS PROVIDED

1 Shoot something that's already slow: Filmmakers like Bela Tarr and (sometimes) Gus Van Sant like to let the camera roll as people do laborious things, like endless, quiet walking. Now they can be even more hypnotic.

2 Capture something painfully mundane: Someone turning their head or getting out of a chair — things no one ever remembers doing

after they've done them — can look intense when presented in slow motion.

3 Animals! If recent history has proven anything, it's that the greatest source of entertainment are our pets. Capture your cat yawning over the span of several seconds — or transform your dog barking into the scariest video to ever creep onto the Internet.

Sleep Better

Platform: iOS and Android
Price: Free

As you're probably sick of hearing by now, you're almost certainly doing sleep wrong. We maybe snooze six hours, not allowing our bodies to repair all the things we've done to it over the day. Poor sleep can even lead to an early death.

Sleep Better is one of the more comprehensive apps; one that makes you cognizant of your terrible sleeping patterns by getting up close and personal. It's not just an alarm app (though it's that too). You place it by your head as you sleep and it measures how much time you're spending in the REM stage — the most replenishing part of your sleep.



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Selfie addicts are going beyond filters

Best face forward.

Plastic surgeons see rising demand for facial surgeries.

Dental hygienist Jennifer Reynolds was always self-conscious about her looks, never took selfies and felt uncomfortable being tagged in photographs posted on social media.

The 34-year-old from Costa Rica who lives in New York opted for plastic surgery on her nose, and now feels ready for prime time on social media.

"I definitely feel more comfortable right now with my looks," Reynolds explains. "If I need to take a selfie, without a doubt, I would have no problem."

Reynolds is one of a growing number of people who have turned to plastic surgeons to enhance their image. Others are hiring specialized makeup artists in what is becoming an emerging selfie economy.

Plastic surgeons in the United States have seen a surge in demand for procedures ranging from eyelid lifts to rhinoplasty (nose jobs), from patients seeking to improve their appearance in selfies. A poll of 2,700 American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery members showed that one in three had seen an increase in requests for procedures from patients who say they are more aware of their image on social media. They noted a 10 percent rise in rhinoplasty in 2013 over 2012, a 7 percent jump in hair transplants and 6 percent increase in eyelid surgery.

"There has been a 25 per-



Selfies are not necessarily an accurate picture of your actual face. / DIGITAL VISION

Quoted

"They come in with their iPhones and show me pictures. Selfies are just getting to be so crazy."

Dr. Sam Rizk, plastic surgeon

cent increase over the past year and a half to two years. That is very significant," Dr. Sam Rizk, a plastic surgeon, says about his Manhattan practice.

"They come in with their iPhones and show me pictures," Rizk, 47, adds. "Selfies are just getting to be so crazy."

Rizk, who specializes in nose jobs, said not everyone who requests surgery needs it because when it comes to selfies, the camera lens, angle and other factors can produce a distorted image that does not represent how a person really looks.

"We all will have something wrong with us on a self-

By the numbers

10%

Increase in rhinoplasty surgeries from 2012 to 2013, according to a poll of Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery members

7%

Increase in hair transplants during the same time

ie image," he explained. "I refuse a significant proportion of patients with selfies because I believe it is not a real image of what they actually look like in person." **REUTERS**

Expert advice

How to look better in selfies

New York makeup artist Ramy Gafni, who has worked with clients on selfies and online dating profile photos, suggests using clean makeup, well-defined eyebrows and a bit color on the lips to produce the best selfies. "You want to enhance your features,

perfect your features, but not necessarily change your features into something they are not," he said.

Dan Ackerman, a senior editor with CNET, which tests and reviews products, recommends interrupting your selfie regimen to use your

cellphone for browsing the Internet, which is full of tips and advice on selfies. "There are apps that apply filters to your face that smooth out wrinkles ... or [apply] artificial makeup," he says. "There is a subeconomy of tools and advice that have built up around this."

Horoscope

♎ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. A posting regarding a professional financial gain will not live up to expectations or resemble what has been advertised. Abide by the rules.

♊ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan. 20. Do something memorable for someone you think is special. Shake things up and make the alterations required to get out of a repetitive pattern.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb. 18. Consider gaining knowledge about something that interests you. If local schools don't offer what you need at a convenient time or place, enrolling in online education might be the better route.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20. Prepare sufficiently for an interview. A geographic distance may not be as big an obstacle as you imagine. Don't rule out broadening your search for a better position.

♈ Aries | March 21-April 20. Don't let others take advantage of you. Deal with your own responsibilities first, and don't feel like you have to take on someone else's task without receiving credit or recognition.

♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21. A healthier lifestyle can be yours if you tackle it like any other project. Decide where you want to be, outline the steps to get there and take action.

♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20. Wise budgeting and self-discipline will help relieve stress. If money matters are preying on your mind, talk with someone who can shed some light on current money-saving trends.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22. Be patient when helping elderly relatives. Health issues and changing times are challenging and fretful for everyone. Romance is looking good.

♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. Don't invest your hard-earned cash in someone else's future. Instant returns seldom occur as promised. Personal change will be possible with the support of a trusted ally. Believe in yourself.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Unexpected visitors or interruptions will throw your schedule off course. Don't worry about sticking to your timetable. Use this time to entertain.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. Alterations to your appearance or image will bring renewed interest from a former partner. Be firm with anyone trying to dictate what you can and cannot do.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21. You might not be able to see the obvious solution to a problem. Step back and distance yourself from a dilemma until you gain clarity. Impulsive action will lead to a mistake. **EUGENIA LAST**

Letters

Immigrants welcome if they abide by certain rules

Re: 'Immigrants not competing' (Metro, Dec. 1) Letter writer Pasquale G. Tito is right about the differences between legal and illegal immigrants. May I add a few comments: If illegal immigrants are so important to our economy that we need them to provide cheap labor, they should be allowed to come

here without the expense and deadly risk of "coyotes." They should not be hounded by the "migre" and be allowed to rent apartments legally and open bank accounts so they may send their earnings back home to their families. Speaking of their families back home, illegal immigrants should leave their children (and possibly spouses) in their home countries where the dollars they earn here will go farther and their kids will not be a source of social problems, crowding our schools and social services.

ARYE BARKAI, VIA EMAIL

Spread, don't hoard the Metro love, people

This morning coming down the street, I waited my turn as a man opened the Metro receptacle to take a huge amount of papers and place them in his bag. I stared at him, mouth open, and asked, why so much?

He said, "I left some." I opened the lid to find one remaining. I said, "You only left one, why are you taking so many?"

He said, "I take them to my job." He then proceeded to open the other paper receptacle and empty that one and walk down the street.

To the man: Think about what you did. And ask yourself: Was that fair to the people that come after me to find an empty bin? Think real hard, please.

LENORE M., VIA EMAIL

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Sudoku: Easy and hard

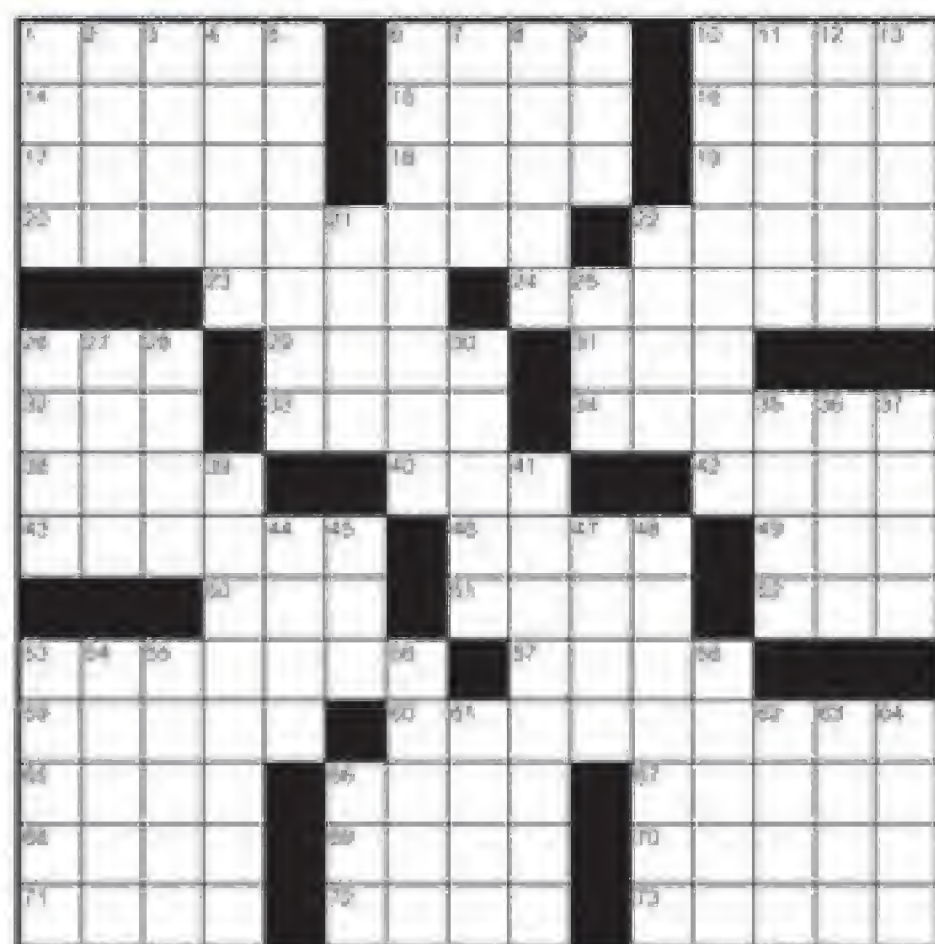
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How to play

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Crossword



Across

- 1 Flood
- 6 Informed (2 wds.)
- 10 Tackle a bone
- 14 Erie neighbor
- 15 Agreeable
- 16 Canning tomato
- 17 Separated
- 18 Carryall
- 19 Livy contemporary
- 20 Suit material
- 22 Glove leather
- 23 Mark, as words
- 24 Pagodas
- 26 TD passers
- 29 "Get real!" (2 wds.)
- 31 Oaters' Lash La —
- 32 Home page addr.
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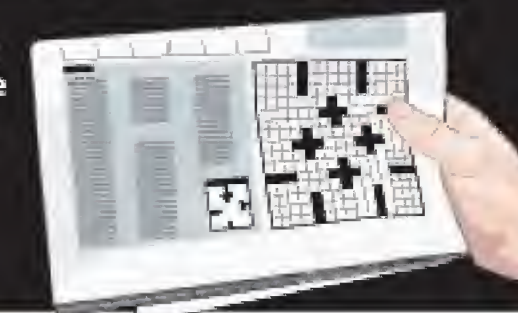
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- 53 Puffed up
- 57 Rail connectors
- 59 Valentino role
- 60 Caddy contents (2 wds.)
- 65 Fox's prey
- 66 Hollow
- 67 Famed fountain
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- 69 Racetrack
- 70 — on (incited)
- 71 Postpone action
- 72 Counting-out start
- 73 "The Wreck of the Mary —"



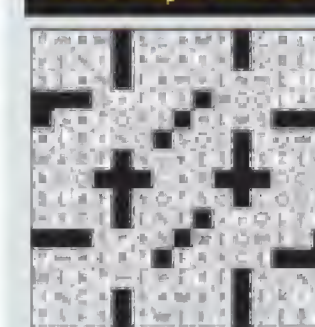
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- 4 Rabbi's recital
- 5 Beseech
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- 9 Bridal notice word
- 10 Sea basses
- 11 Highly original
- 12 Nitrogen compound
- 13 Fords a river
- 21 Ricky Ricardo
- 22 Gloating
- 25 Period
- 26 Cut it out
- 27 It may be knitted
- 28 Veer off-course
- 30 Turned loose
- 35 Pitcher in a basin
- 36 Accrue interest
- 37 Batik need
- 39 Most mawkish
- 41 Callously
- 44 Dingbat
- 45 Good name for a cook?
- 47 Devers of track

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Yesterday's answer



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- 53 "Humbly"
- 54 Maureen of the screen
- 55 Polite word in Grenoble
- 56 Comic-strip Canyon
- 58 Snorkel, to Beetle
- 61 Joie de vivre
- 62 First-magnitude star
- 63 Anon's partner
- 64 Half a beef
- 66 Woodland creature



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NFL power rankings | by Matt Burke

No. 1



Packers
(9-3)

Are people seriously discussing J.J. Watt for league MVP? It's great that he plays both ways, he's a throwback to a different era — the whole bit. But his Texans are 6-6. Aaron Rodgers has his Packers at 9-3 and he's 90 percent of the reason why his team owns that sparkling record.

No. 2

Patriots
(9-3)



Picking nits here, but Tom Brady hasn't played at "Aaron Rodgers-level" since the Pats win over Denver. He threw for a mortal 245 yards in the loss at Green Bay on Sunday.

No. 3

Broncos
(9-3)



While C.J. Anderson is probably just the Mountain time version of Jonas Gray, it has been nice to see the Broncos establish the run lately.

No. 4

Eagles
(9-3)



No matter how many error-free games Mark Sanchez plays going forward, a team without a superstar QB in the current NFL is viewed by most as an also-ran.

No. 5

Seahawks
(8-4)



Seattle has allowed a total of six points the past two weeks, but those efforts came against a Drew Stanton-quarterbacked team and a 49ers team that can't crack 20 points, ever.

No. 6

Lions
(8-4)



If only Matthew Stafford could play at Ford Field every game. The Lions should land in the NFC title game if they get a divisional home game.

No. 7

Cardinals
(9-3)



Interesting figures: The current top five teams in the NFL by record (Cardinals, Broncos, Packers, Patriots, Eagles) are all 6-0 at home and 3-3 on the road.

No. 8

Bengals
(8-3-1)



It sure seems as though the Bengals have lost more than three games this season, doesn't it? Truth is, Cincy hasn't played a surefire playoff team since Indy in Week 7.

No. 9

Colts
(8-4)



The Colts' 49-27 win over the Redskins won't do anything to wash away their "bully" stigma, but you can only play the teams on your schedule.

No. 10

Cowboys
(8-4)



Uh-oh. Things may be unraveling in Big D. The Cowboys no-showed at home on Thanksgiving as Tony Romo posted a QB rating of 53.7 against the Eagles.

No. 11

Chargers
(8-4)



It might surprise some to see the Chargers ranked No. 7 overall in pass defense as they allow just 221.6 yards per game through the air. It won't be easy against New England.

No. 12

Ravens
(7-5)



The AFC North has played its non-conference games against the NFC South this season. Four of Baltimore's wins have come against that division.

No. 13

Dolphins
(7-5)



We wanted to see the Dolphins win a close game as all of their wins prior to Monday were by 13 points or more. Their squeaker win came against the Jets, but it counts.

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MLS. Revs forward Davies finally back at full strength after tragic accident

Revolution forward Charlie Davies is still only 28 years old, but one would be hard-pressed to find any other local professional athlete, who has experienced so many ups and downs in life.

The Manchester, New Hampshire, native starred at the Brooks School in North Andover before taking Boston College by storm and then skipping his senior year to pursue a lucrative soccer career in Europe.

He now he leads New England into the 2014 MLS Cup after scoring both goals in a 2-2 draw (advancing 4-3 on aggregate) against the New York Red Bulls in the second leg of the Eastern Conference Finals last Saturday at Gillette Stadium.

The Revolution take on the L.A. Galaxy on Sunday (3 p.m., ESPN) as the club searches for its

first-ever MLS title.

A little more than five years has passed since that fateful night when Davies was riding in a car in Washington, D.C. that struck a metal guardrail on the George Washington Parkway, killing a female passenger and leaving Davies with a litany of injuries: lacerated bladder, fractured right tibia and fe-

mur, fractured elbow, multiple facial fractures and bleeding in the brain.

Even in the aftermath of a crushing playoff defeat last Saturday, New York head coach Mike Petke couldn't help but feel good for Davies.

"It's great to see him back after what he went through," Petke said. "The old Charlie is back over the last two years. I'm proud of him."

Both on the field and in the Gillette Stadium locker room after the game last Saturday, there were many great scenes to take in. But it was hard to top Davies' raw emotion and joy.

"Words can't really describe it, I feel like I can get back to the player that I used to be," Davies said. "It's always tough when you're not playing, but coming into this season, I had to battle through and I finally got myself fit. The guys in this locker room have pushed me to succeed, which goes a long way. For us to finally get a Cup would be extremely special, the ultimate achievement for me." **RICH SLATE**



CHARLIE DAVIES SCORED BOTH GOALS IN THE REVS' 2-2 TIE AGAINST NEW YORK LAST SATURDAY.

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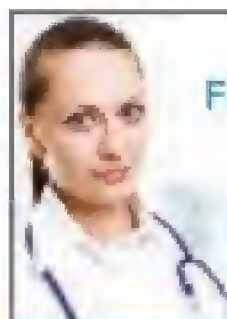
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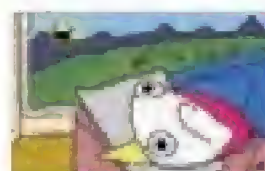
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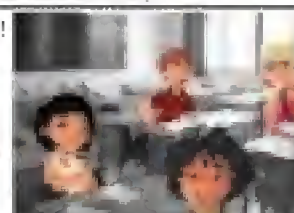
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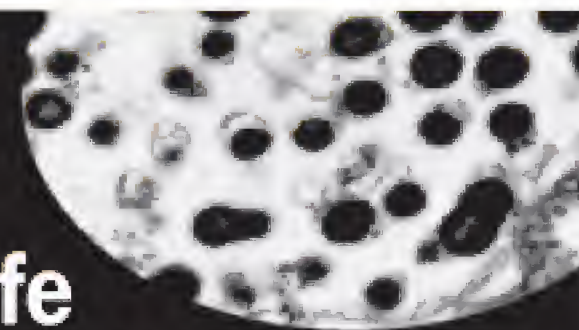


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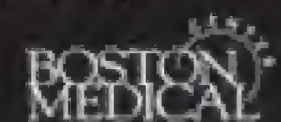
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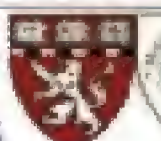
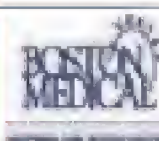
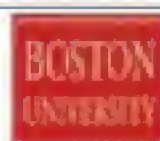
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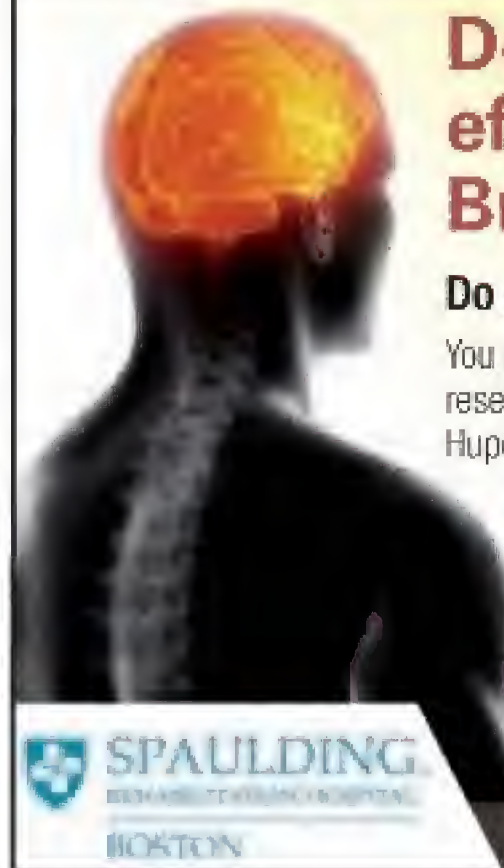
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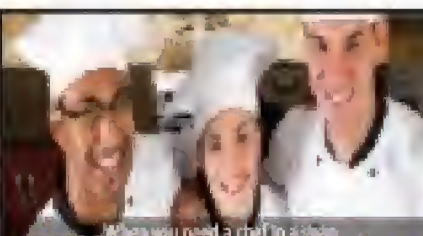
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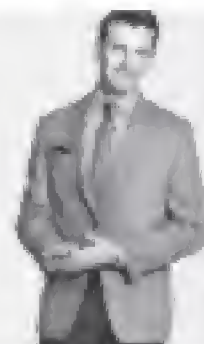
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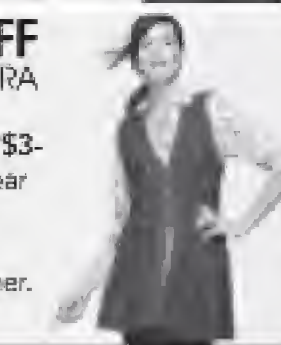
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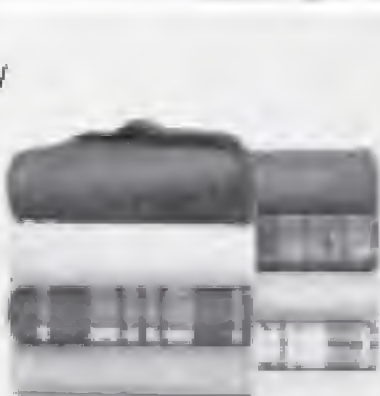
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